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For : LIDS FOR CLOSING OFF CONTAINERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121, please substitute for original Claim 13 the following rewritten version of Claim 13, as amended, cancel Claims 1 to 11 and add new Claims 14 to 16. The changes made are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made".

Please cancel original Claims 1 to 11.

Please amend Claim 13 as follows:

13. (Once Amended) The process for manufacturing lids according to Claim 12, wherein the cooling layer exhibits as surface configuration a roughness pattern having a depth of roughness of up to 50 μm .

Please add new Claims 14 to 16 as follows:

14. The process for manufacturing lids according to Claim 13, wherein said roughness pattern has a depth of roughness from 3 to 30 μm .

15. The process for manufacturing according to Claim 13, wherein said roughness pattern has a depth of roughness from 30 to 20 μm .

16. The process for manufacturing according to Claim 13, wherein said roughness pattern has a depth of roughness from 5 to 10 μm .

In the Specification:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121, please insert the priority history on page 1 between the Title and the first line. The changes made are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made".

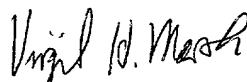
Please insert the following on page 1 between the Title and the first line:

This application is a division of U.S. Serial Number 09/461,313, filed on 12/15/1999, which has priority benefit of European Patent Application Number 98811233.0, filed on 12/16/1998.

REMARKS

Original Claims 1 to 11 have been cancelled. Original claim 13 has been amended. New Claims 14 to 16 have been added. Claims 13 to 16 are drawn to the elected invention. The priority history has been inserted on page 1.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

Original Claims 1 to 11 have been cancelled.

Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

- - 13. (Once Amended) The process [process] for manufacturing lids according to Claim 12, [characterized in that] wherein the cooling layer exhibits as surface configuration a roughness pattern having a depth of roughness of up to 50 μm [, usefully from 3 to 30 μm , advantageously from 3 to 20 μm , in particular 5 to 10 μm].

New Claims 14 to 16 have been added.

In the Specification:

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